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August 19, 2004

The Honorable John Howe
Mayor, City of Sunnyvale
456 West Olive Avenue
Sunnyvale, CA 94088

John N. Howe
Mayor

Dear John:

Dean J. Chu
Vice Mayor

As you know, I will be out of the country on a business trip, starting on August 22nd and ending on September 3rd of this year. I have recently learned that it is quite likely I will have to make two further trips this year, one in October and one in November.

Frederik M. Fowler
Councilmember

Melinda Hamilton
Councilmember

The upcoming trip will force me to miss the next VTA Board of Directors meeting, scheduled for September 2nd. The October and November trips will likely cause me to miss further VTA meetings. In light of this, I feel that I have a duty to request the City Council to relieve me of my VTA responsibilities. The decisions that the VTA Board will be making in the next few months will have critical impacts on Sunnyvale and its transportation infrastructure. Sunnyvale needs to be represented at the upcoming meetings in a way that my business commitments may preclude. I feel the responsible thing to do is to step aside and let someone else assume the duties I will be unable to fulfill.

Otto Lee
Councilmember

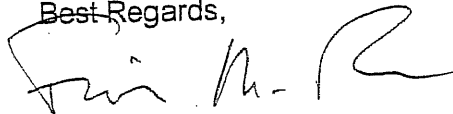
Julia E. Miller
Councilmember

Ron Swegles
Councilmember

I would like to request the Council to consider Vice Mayor Dean Chu as a replacement. Dean is very experienced in regional transportation issues and would represent the city very well as a VTA director. I would like to nominate Dean Chu as the city's next VTA Board representative.

I would like to thank you and all my Council colleagues for my original appointment to the VTA board, and for the support you have given me in this role. I stand ready to help the next appointee in any way that I can.

Best Regards,



Frederik M. Fowler
Council Member

cc: Vice Mayor Dean Chu
Sunnyvale City Council
VTA Chairperson Don Gage
VTA Board of Directors
City Manager Amy Chan
VTA General Manager Peter Cipolla